Incorporation of Alma Ata Declartion Drug Policy

1742. DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have implemented to Alma Ata Declaration (1979) to protect and promote Health in the country;

(b) whether these have been incorported in the new Drug Policy announced recently; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) In pursuance of the obectives of the Alma Ata Declaration, the Government of India have formulated a National Health Policy which seeks to provide basis health care to all the people by 2000 A.D.

(b) and (c) The new Drug Policy announced recently keeps in view the objective of Health for all by 2000 A.D. and aims at:

(i) ensuring abundant availability on a countinous basis, at reasonable prices, of eseential life saving and prophylactic medicines of good quality to the people;

(ii) strengthening the system of quality control over drug production and promoting the rational use of drugs in the country;

(iii) creating an environment conducive to channelising new investment into the pharmaceutical industry, to encouraging cost-effective production with economic sizes and to introducing new technologies and new drugs; and

(iv) Strengthening the indigenous capability for production of drugs.

Leprosy in Delhi

1743. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item that appeared in the Patriot of 16th February, 1987 wherein it has been stated that Delhi may become biggest leper settlement;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. However, it is not correct that Delhi is likely to become biggest leper settlement Municipal Coroporation of Delhi is running a leprosy home where comprehensive care is provided.

Increase in speed of railway trains

1744. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering any proposal to increase the speed of superfast trains to 140 Km. per hour, if so, by when;

(b) whether Railways have tracks which can stand speed of 140 km. per hour; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, by when these are likely to be replaced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Some traials are being carried out to determine the feasibility of running passenger carrying trains at 140 kms. per hour on certain specified sections.

(b) and (c) The results will be known after the trials.